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THE WEATHER

Oregon, Washington and Idaho—Fair and warmer, except near the coast.

STAY-AT-HOME YEAR

There is a notable and far-reaching subsidence of travel in, from, and to this country this year! Even the millionaires are following the stay-at-home policy. Whether this is due to a universal weariness of constant travel at home and abroad during the recent years, or if it is chargeable to the graver cause of restricted funds, or to the Presidential campaign and its influence upon the home spirit of the nation, the fact is quoted far and wide nationally and locally and the proof is not wanting anywhere.

Even Astoria has her complaint ready this season, as do all the resort points north and south of the Columbia on the coast. Boats and railway trains are flying light day by day, while the service on all systems has been sharply amplified in all directions. For the sake of disposing of the problem and mitigating the worry incident to it, it may be as well to attribute it to the well known abatement of all plans and expenditures incident to the political season, which is notoriously and consistently rife with just such manifestations.

MUST BE ANSWERED

No man will deny the efficacy and utility of a sea-wall on the Astoria front. It has been the dream of the Astorian for long ears, and must come in due and logical course, as all essential improvements come. But the last man in this city is asking himself the very pertinent questions these days, if this is the propitious time for the taking over of another extraordinary public burden? of increasing the tax roll and rate to cover a half million of dollars which this benefice is certain to cost? And in the light of the imperative and organic expenses that are about to fall upon the Astoria public, by way of improvement of the water system, improvement of the school system, the ceaseless cost of street improvements and the bonded-burdens they are already carrying, bravely and cheerfully, whether it is equitable and sensible, that they provide for the doubling of the load?

The mere sea-wall cost is the least of the certain bill of expense it will entail; there will remain the filling of the tideland frontage, which will far out-measure that; and the range of incidental public and private expenditures, is almost insuperable when it is carefully scheduled by the thinker.

Hot-air calculations of what these huge improvements are going to cost will not abate the sum of that cost, in the end. The matter will assuredly resolve itself to the merciless level of dollars and cents, as it progresses and the time to do our real thinking is before we have committed the city to a measureless scheme of improvement that may with her none too light budget, and that which she must take on in the saving and amplifying of those things she has, and must maintain; for afterward, we shall have no recourse save the honest and prompt fulfillment of these engagements, even if they stagger us to the point of general sacrifice.

We beg to revert to our original doctrine of biding our time until the owners of the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad shall decide to rock its line from the Tongue to Smith's Point, and then go in with them upon an equitable footing and know, first and last, just where we stand. They need this improvement just as badly as Astoria needs it, and a fraction more. At all events, the subject is worth the best thought every citizen can give it.

*** DONT GET RABID!**

Astoria has made up her mind to secure a better telephone service; that much may be depended on; the entire population is a unit on the subject, and there is, of course, a whole lot of comment upon the matter, and some of it might easily and comfortably be dispensed with. It is a business proposition. Either the Pacific States Company will supply us with the improvement demanded or we will get it from other sources, and as soon as may be.

There is no use quarrelling over the situation, nor getting rabid about it; it is simply a question of business regulation and aptitude, and we have plenty of civic and private agencies wherewith to work our end of the deal.

If the P. S. people are willing to meet this demand and supply the desired and long-due equipment and service, it is a simple matter for them to say so, and do so within reasonable time. It lies beyond the purview of the company's office and management here, of course, and the headquarter office is long since in touch with the feeling now paramount here. It is up to them to placate the honest temper their indifference has aroused and to do their full duty under the franchise they hold and what is warranted by the commercial progress of the hour. And if within a reasonable time they shall fail to make some decent overtures in this behalf, it is up to us to throw their business back on their hands, order out the instruments and go after more placable and rational people and service.

This uproar is an old story with the Pacific States Company. It has made this same fight in every town and city of importance on the coast, and they invariably yield when the proper pressure is brought to bear on them, the pressure that comes from a radically reduced income and patronage. The least evil that confronts the individual subscriber here is the loss of the service; it is practically no loss whatever considering the quality of service, as compared with what we are entitled to after our years of patience, and the most dignified and effective reprisal at our hands is the utter abandonment of the instruments in home and office. For the time that may be consumed in attaining our release and relief, the telegraph is at hand and a bit the cheaper on the long distance range of expense. We have sacrificed much, and we can yield a bit more, and preserve our communal respect in the doing of it.

One honest cheer is better than an hour and a half of artificial noise.

After the Guffey splash the conservatives on platform were the next to walk the plank.

The platform is typical of Bryan; in other words, a proposition with the earmarks of a loser.

The Bryan yell has been elongated to an hour and a half. When November strikes it not even a chirp can be heard.

The Pennsylvania majority against Bryan in 1896 was 294,072. He has little to lose by moving to make it unanimous.

With many Democrats the important business for the campaign is to give Bryan a fall so high that he will be willing to quit.

COFFEE

is perishable, it ought to be kept in tight packages, not exposed to air.

Your grocer returns your money if you don't like the stuff. We don't.

THE NEW MODELS FOR SUMMER 1908



THE FAMOUS Hermanwile GUARANTEED CLOTHING

FOR MEN AND YOUNG MEN

STRICTLY UNION MADE

Appeals to the taste of good dressers by the "just right" way in which it is made.

The new models for Summer are distinctive—they have just that difference which distinguishes the wearer of the very highest priced clothing.

But this clothing is not high priced—it comes within the reach of any man. We have

SUITS at from \$10 to \$25

In all the newest and most popular fabrics, colors and patterns. They are ALL HAND TAILORED and so perfect in STYLE, FIT and FINISH that they are noted for being

"Better than Custom Made"

It is only by comparison that we can convince you of magnificent values this clothing offers. See what others have then come and see us.

The Workingmen's Store

CHAS. LARSON Prop.

518 Bond St.

There is such a thing as grasshopper politics. The Bryan party illustrates it by a summer racket. But what a hush when frost arrives.

In his second battle Bryan carried only four small Northern states. The probability is that he can now hang on only to Colorado, with a fighting chance for Nevada.

In his front-porch speech referring to Mr. Guffey Mr. Bryan spoke of "my councils." If a man is an egotist in defeat what would he be when placed in authority.

The London Statist remarks that "the basis of American prosperity is agriculture." Such being the undoubted fact, why not cheerfully go ahead with the prosperity talk?

SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES

First Methodist.

Morning service, preaching by Mr. J. H. Petersen, subject: "Believing and Obeying." In the evening Mr. J. M. Anderson will speak, subject: "The Young Man Who Succeeds." This being one of a series of talks by business and professional men, especially calculated to appeal to young men. Special music will be rendered, and all services be made attractive and helpful. The public is cordially invited.

Christian Science.

Services in I. O. O. F. building, corner Tenth and Commercial streets, rooms 5 and 6 at 10 a. m. Subject of the lesson sermon, "Life." All are invited. Sunday school, 11:30. The first Wednesday evening in the month at 8 o'clock. Reading room same address, hours from 2 to 5 o'clock daily except Sunday.

Baptist.

Sunday school, 10 a. m., followed by a brief address by the pastor. At 11:15 the Rev. William Swope, a congregation minister, returned missionary from the Congo Free State, will give a lecture on "Africa." B. Y. P. U., 7 p. m. Sermon by the pastor at 8 p. m. Baptizing at close of evening service. Everybody cordially wel-

comed. Conrad L. Owen, pastor.

Memorial Lutheran (American).

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; evening service at 8 o'clock, theme for sermon, "Launch Out Into the Deep." A cordial invitation is extended to all. Church on Grand avenue west of Fourteenth street.

First Lutheran.

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; morning service at 10:45; evening service at 8 o'clock. Rev. P. J. O'Connell of Braddock, Pa., will occupy the pulpit both morning and evening, and the services will be in Swedish. All are cordially invited.

First Presbyterian.

The pastor of the church will preach morning and evening. Morning worship at 11 o'clock; Sunday school, 12:15; evening worship, 8 p. m.; Young Peoples' Society, 7 p. m. At the morning service Miss Hobson will sing, and Miss Sundquist will render a solo on the violin. In the evening the male chorus. A cordial invitation extended to all. Wm. S. Gilbert, pastor.

Grace.

Literary and holy communion at 11 a. m.; Sunday school, 1:30; evening prayer, 7:30. The Sunday school will hold its annual picnic at Flavel Monday, July 20th, if pleasant weather, leaving at the Flavel dock at 9:30 a. m. If stormy, the picnic will be held Friday the 24th.

Holy Innocents Chapel.

Fifth Sunday after Trinity. Morning and evening services, 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 1:15 a. m. The Sunday school will close after Sunday until September.

Help for Those Who Have Stomach Trouble.

After doctoring for about twelve years for a bad stomach trouble, and spending nearly five hundred dollars for medicine and doctors' fees, I purchased my wife one box of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, which did her so much good that she continued to use them and they have done her more good than all of the medicine I bought before.—SAMUEL BOYER, Folsom, Iowa. This medicine is for sale by Frank Hart and leading druggists. Sample free.

OUT OF THE GINGER JAR

Those who pay as they go find the going pleasant.

Suppose we put a half-hitch on our dispositions.

Some men haven't so much push as a frog has in one hind leg.

Nin tailors make a man, but a woman can make fools out of a dozen men.

When you have done a really good thing do not stop to talk about it, but do another.

A country housewife will do all she can in the winter and can all she does in the summer.

To kill all the bumblebee nests ruins the clover crop, for the bees cross-fertilize the blossoms. Run, boys, but don't kill them.

The average voter blames foolish laws for his woes, yet goes on putting men in the Legislature who have no use for farmers.

Burbank has succeeded in producing a spineless cactus, but let us hope that this will be no encouragement to the cultivation of spineless men.

Teacher: "Now, children, if I have five yards of cloth and use four to make a jacket, what shall I have left?" Little girl: "You will have scraps left."

Some farmers seem anxious to own all the adjoining land, but they should really improve and make the best use of the acres they have, before purchasing more.

Many a man by the fireside sitteth and smoketh, while his sons do all the chores in the rain and cold, and he collareth all the cash. Verily, this also is vexation of spirit.

The garden has a hundred heads—growing on the cabbages; it has a thousand eyes—showing on the potatoes; it has any number of ears—hanging on the sweet corn; and it has all the toes it wants, too—on the toma-toes.—Farm Journal.

Twenty-Five Cents is the Price of Peace.

The terrible itching and smarting, incident to certain skin diseases, is almost instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Salve. Price, 25 cents. For sale by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

Shine Them Up.

Ladies' shoes called for, shined and returned. Phone Main 3741.

NEW TO-DAY

The Commercial.

One of the coziest and most popular resorts in the city is the Commercial. A new billiard room, a pleasant sitting room and handsome fixtures all go to make an agreeable meeting place for gentlemen, there to discuss the topics of the day, play a game of billiards and enjoy the fine refreshments served there. The best of goods are only handled, and this fact being so well known, a large business is done at the Commercial, on Commercial street, near Eleventh.

GOOD WOOD.

If you want a good load of fir wood or box wood ring up KELLY the WOOD DEALER.

The man who keeps the PRICES DOWN.

Phone Main 2191—Barn, Cor, 12th and Duane.

LADY MANICURIST ENGAGED.

"The Modern," A. E. Petersen's beautiful tonorial establishment, has been further modernized by the permanent engagement of a highly trained young lady manicurist, who will also serve the house as cashier.

The very best board to be obtained in the city is at "The Occident Hotel." Rates very reasonable.

New Grocery Store.

Try our own mixture of coffee—the J. P. B. Fresh fruit and vegetables. Badollet & Co., grocers. Phone Main 1281.

The Palace Restaurant.

Any phase of hunger can be daintily gratified at any hour of the day or night at the Palace Restaurant. The kitchen and dining room service are of the positive best. Private dining rooms for ladies. One call inspires regular custom. Try it. Commercial street, opposite Page building.

The Clean Man.

The man who delights in personal cleanliness, and enjoys his shave, shampoo, haircut, and bath, in Astoria, always goes to the Occident barber shop for these things—and gets them at their best.

Five months' interest paid January 1 1909, on deposits made in our Savings Department before August 1, 1908, Scandinavian-American Savings Bank.